



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

City Council Meeting – Council Member Items Report

To: City Council
From: Mayor Casey McKeon
Mayor Pro Tem Butch Twining
Councilman Pat Burns
Date: May 5, 2026
Subject: **PROPOSAL FOR INSTALLATION OF COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE AT
SUNSET BEACH**

ISSUE STATEMENT

In 2009, Sunset Beach resident Candy Hall experienced the profound loss of her daughter, Erica, due to an unexpected medical condition. In memory of Erica, a large rock was placed beside the Sunset Beach "elbow tree", a climbing tree beloved by Erica during her childhood. The tree's unique shape and rock are a reminder and memorial to be shared with the community,

To properly memorialize the site, we propose the installation of a plaque on May 29, which is Erica's birthday. A meaningful tribute, allowing locals and visitors alike to know the story of a remarkable young person taken too soon.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Set aside Resolution No. 2017-25 and direct staff to install a plaque on the rock under the elbow tree in Sunset Beach. Furthermore, staff will inform the Hall Family regarding the proposed memorial and seek input through the process.

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS

Not Applicable

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Non Applicable - Administrative Item